

OTTAWA SESSION WELL ADVANCED

PROROGATION IS ALREADY BEING PLANNED

Bill Incorporating Victoria and Barclay Sound Railway is Passed.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 9.—The business of parliament has progressed so well this session that prorogation is already being planned for between the two leaders. The only remaining legislation likely to prove contentious are bills respecting the extension of provincial boundaries and the granting of financial assistance to the G. T. P.

It is expected that prorogation will be reached before May 24th.

Mr. Borden has arranged to leave for England at the end of May.

In the common railway committee this morning bills were passed extending the time for the construction of the Vancouver, Fraser Valley and Southern railway, and of the Burrard-New Westminster Boundary railway, and incorporating the Victoria and Barclay Sound Railway company.

BALLOONISTS' NARROW ESCAPE

Antwerp, March 9.—Henri Leblanc and Louis Dupont, French aeronauts, had a narrow escape from death by drowning yesterday while crossing the river Schedt in a balloon. The balloon fell into the water and the two men were forced to climb into the rigging. They were half drowned and exhausted when rescued.

AN IMPERIAL COUNCIL

London, March 9.—The Times in an editorial on the appointment of a committee to inquire into the question of emigration from India to the crown colonies, urges the necessity of a consistent and unequivocal policy being adopted by the whole empire. It says the surest way towards such a policy is to lose no opportunity of associating representatives of the dominions, Great Britain and India in a common council upon facts which each is apt to regard from its own view point alone. The Times adds that the nomination of committees presents such an opportunity.

UNDER FALSE PRETENCES

Montreal, Que., March 9.—Chas. Reid, who came here nearly a year ago and formed the Canadian Thermos Bottle Company, was last night arrested on the charge of obtaining \$3,000 under false pretences from Ernest Gault. Mr. Gault subscribed to that amount of the company's stock. Reid was unable to obtain bail.

DIES AGED 81.

Montreal, Que., March 9.—Henry Morton, for many years a member of the firm of Morton, Phillips & Co., stationers, died yesterday, aged 81.

PONTIFF MUCH BETTER,
RESUMES AUDIENCES

Rome, March 9.—The Pope, who has been suffering from a cold, is much better to-day. The beautiful spring weather has had a good effect on the patient. He has not yet been allowed to come down to the state apartments as he insists upon resuming his audiences. He to-day received in his own private apartments Cardinal Riebelmy, Archbishop of Turin, and Monsignor Trobec, Bishop of St. Cloud, who came to Rome for a visit.

Both visitors expressed the opinion that the Pope looked comparatively well and vigorous considering the fact that he has been confined to his room for more than a week. The Pontiff expressed the desire to descend soon to the throne room to receive Cardinal Mercier, Archbishop of Mechlin, who is here with five Belgian bishops and a Belgian pilgrimage.

FRENCH TEAM NOW LEADS
IN SIX-DAY RACE

New York, March 9.—Clot and Orphee, the French team, were still in the lead of the six-day go-as-you-please race at Madison Square Garden at 8 a. m. to-day. They had covered 204 miles 8 laps and were more than five miles ahead of Dineen and Prouty, who were in second place.

The positions of the remaining teams were: Dineen and Prouty, 199 miles 1 lap; Feegan and Curtis, 188 miles 2 laps; Spring and Adams, 187 miles 1 lap; Davis and Metkus, 186 miles 5 laps; Loeslein and Klubarians, 177 miles 9 laps; Hegelman and Golden, 174 miles 3 laps; Corp and Coleman, 165 miles 6 laps; Gignnarr and Rovere, 164 miles; Shelton and Frazer, 164 miles.

EXPORTING GOLD TO LONDON

New York, March 9.—An engagement by the National City Bank to-day for export to London of all the suitable gold bars in the assay office marked the first actual transaction looking towards a movement of gold upwards, which has been forecasted by the recent rise in sterling exchange. The amount engaged by the National City Bank, while not exactly stated, is estimated to be somewhat under \$2,000,000.

DOMESTICS FROM OLD LAND.
Northwest Farmers Subscribe Liberally
to Pay Fares of Girls.

Winnipeg, Man., March 9.—With five thousand dollars in her keeping, provided by farmers in the West, Mrs. Helen Sanford, superintendent of the Girls' Home of Welcome, left the city on Saturday for Scotland, where she will secure one hundred girls to work in Canada. Mrs. Sanford had been instrumental in bringing many old country domestics to find homes and very comfortable positions, and out of several hundred she has brought out she has not had a disappointment.

KILLED BY BOILING TEA.

Kingston, Ont., March 9.—The thirteen months' old daughter of Edward Murphy, of Barfield, is dead as the result of pulling a hot pot of tea over her head and shoulders.

MANITOBA GOVERNMENT'S
SUBSIDIZED NEWSPAPER

Yet Another Big Source of Tory
Graft Unveiled at
Winnipeg.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Man., March 9.—One big source of Tory graft was unearthed by the Liberals before the Public Accounts committee to-day. The Telegram, a Conservative newspaper published here, received three thousand dollars for an advertisement to be inserted every day at the rate of two hundred and fifty dollars a month, a higher figure than the regular commercial rates. The files of the paper, which were produced, showed that for several months this advertisement was not inserted more than seven times, and never more than twenty times.

TORNADO SWEEPS
TOWN: 8 DEAD

Forest City, Ark., March 9.—Advice from Brinkley, Ark., early to-day said that that town, which was swept by a tornado last night, was a mass of flames and that eight persons had been killed. The number of injured was said to be large.

CANADIAN'S ADVANCE
IN AERIAL NAVIGATION

Silver Dart Successfully Flies
Eight Miles at Bad-
deck, N. S.

Baddeck, N. S., March 9.—The airplane Silver Dart, piloted by J. A. D. McCurdy, made a successful flight of eight miles in eleven minutes and fifteen seconds here yesterday, twice crossing Baddeck harbor.

A Canadian aeroplane will probably be sent to England in May to try for one of the two big prizes that have been offered for the first successful aeroplane flight across the English Channel. Work on the new machine, which will be modeled somewhat on the plan of the Silver Dart, the most successful aeroplane built, under the auspices of the Aerial Experiment Association, will begin at once under the supervision of Glenn H. Curtis, at Hammondsport, New York.

The aeroplane will probably be in charge of J. A. D. McCurdy and F. W. Baldwin, two members of the Aerial Experiment Association, and who have been here, with Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, conducting the recent experiments on the ice of the Bras d'Or lakes with the Silver Dart and Dr. Bell's new tetrahedral kite.

H. S. HUDSPETH UNDER ARREST.

Prominent Man in Typographical Union
Charged with Obtaining Money
Fraudulently.

New Orleans, La., March 9.—Harry S. Hudspeth, former president of the New Orleans Typographical Union, was arrested late last night, charged with fraudulently obtaining money from the union. He was a candidate for the presidency of the International Typographical Union against James M. Lynch at the last convention of the organization.

STABBED DURING QUARREL.

Quebec, March 9.—A youth named Nolin was stabbed in the abdomen in a quarrel on King street last night with Alfred Dubé. Nolin was taken to the hospital and is in a critical condition. Dubé was arrested.

MOROCCO WANTS
LOAN OF 26 MILLIONS

Tangier, March 9.—It is reported that Mohammed Sidi El Mokri, former minister of foreign affairs of Morocco, is going to Paris to arrange with the French government for a new loan of \$26,000,000, which is to be secured by the annual customs receipt. This loan, it is stated, will be applied to the payment of the Casablanca indemnities and other outstanding claims.

THOUSANDS OF ELECTORS MAY BE DISFRANCHISED

Rights of the People Are in Grave Peril—Opposition Fighting
Uncompromisingly to Prevent Introduction of Notorious
Roblin Methods in This Province.

GOVERNMENT DISFRANCHISES

The Attorney-General proposed amendments to the election law which would place it in the power of registrars to strike off the names of voters who were out of the electoral district at the time of revision, even if only temporarily. It especially hits at workingmen who leave their homes to work—and there are thousands in this province, miners, loggers, fishermen and cannerymen.

The battle royal which has raged in the legislative assembly since yesterday afternoon is still on, the House having sat all night, all this forenoon, and being still in session.

Never in the history of the province has a band of legislators put up a more determined, or a more just fight against an attempt by an arrogant majority to vest in itself the right of the franchise.

The history of the struggle is illuminating. Some time ago Attorney-General Bowser introduced bill No. 9 to amend the Provincial Elections Act. Under this bill he could strike off the list the names of persons who had ceased to reside in the electoral district in which they were registered.

The leader of the opposition, Mr. Macdonald, proposed an amendment intended to safeguard the electors, and to clear up certain uncertainties in the old act. This amendment contained a proviso that the name of no one should be struck from the list who had not ceased for a period of at least one year, to reside in the riding.

This amendment was accepted by Hon. Mr. Bowser, but insisted upon striking out the one year limitation.

Mr. McInnis (Grand Forks), also moved an amendment that the name of no person should be struck from the list unless he had ceased to reside in the district for a period of one year.

In order to get a portion of his amendment through, Mr. Macdonald consented temporarily to strike out the year's limitation in it, but insisted that the amendment of Mr. McInnis be taken up as soon as his (Macdonald's) own had been disposed of. Mr. Macdonald's amendment was then passed with the change indicated.

About two weeks ago Mr. McInnis' amendment came up for debate and was vigorously supported by the Liberals and Socialists.

The committee rose without completing the debate and it was repeatedly passed on the order paper until yesterday, when the Attorney-General again brought it up.

It is upon this amendment, namely that no names shall be struck off until non-residence has continued for one year, that the big fight is now being waged.

The Liberals and Socialists contend that without the protection of this amendment, thousands of voters in the province will be disfranchised; that Mr. Bowser's bill is an attempt to repeat what happened in Manitoba; and that if allowed to pass without the amendment above mentioned the government will so manipulate the lists through their partisan appointees, as to insure, as they think, safe return at the next election.

In other words they are seeking to load the dice for that election.

Already telegraphic protests are beginning to come in from non-partisan bodies like the Trades and Labor council of Vancouver, but it is evident that the government has set its designs on a partisan list, and only a vigorous backing of the Liberals and Socialists by the people of the province can prevent them from giving statutory effect to a gross invasion of the rights of the people.

Legislative Press Gallery, March 9.

The opposition and government have been in grips since 9 o'clock last night, and unless the government gives way the fight will go on until midnight Saturday and be resumed on Monday.

At 1:30 to-day the government permitted the committee to rise for ten minutes, the session being resumed at 2 o'clock.

It is a fight for the right of the people—especially of that large class of workingmen who have to leave home for a great part of the year—to the exercise of the franchise. The government is trying to force a most iniquitous amendment to the Provincial Elections Act upon the province, and the Liberal and Socialist opposition is following its constitutional right of obstruction in an endeavor to prevent the proposals of Attorney-General Bowser becoming law.

Small in number but thoroughly in earnest and resolute, the opposition can hold its own against even the machine majority behind the McBride administration. Its plans are well-laid, it is admirably generalised, and there is little doubt that the government will be forced to surrender, in spite of all the

NEW RHODES SCHOLAR.

Toronto, Ont., March 9.—Morden H. Long, B. A., graduate of 1909, was announced yesterday as McMaster university's first Rhodes scholar by direct appointment. Ralph Benjamin, B. A., graduate of 1908, was appointed as Alberta's first Rhodes scholar, but Mr. Long is the first man to go direct from McMaster to Oxford. Mr. Long is a native of Woodstock, Ont., and is at present attending the provincial normal college at Calgary, Alberta.

SASKATCHEWAN'S PHONES.

Regina, Sask., March 9.—The Bell Telephone Company here is taking stock with a view to making a valuation of the Saskatchewan plant of the company, and it is believed that a definite announcement of the sale of the Bell interests to the government of Saskatchewan will be made in a few days.

ANOTHER GIRL IS

ATTACKED AT HAMILTON

Dragged Into Alleyway by Un-
known Assailant and Threat-
ened With Death.

Hamilton, Ont., March 9.—Another daring outrage, the perpetrator of which is still at large, has been reported to the police, the victim being Miss Burkholder, Augusta avenue. Miss Burkholder was returning from church and proceeding along Augusta avenue, when a short distance from her house, a man with a knife, emerged from an alleyway and exclaiming, "So a word and I'll cut your heart out," dragged her into the lane. After a desperate fight Miss Burkholder managed to escape and ran to her home, falling unconscious in the doorway.

The Election Act.

It was about 9 o'clock when the House went into committee on the election bill.

Parker Williams expressed surprise at seeing the bill again. After having been allowed to lie for three weeks, he said, he had thought the attorney-general was allowing it to die. If enacted it would mean the disfranchisement of thousands, and in some constituencies would place absolute power in the hands of large corporations to elect whom they liked, by discharging men who would have to go elsewhere to search for work, and then be struck off the lists.

"We were once told by the attorney-general that he desired to sweeten the voters' list. It reminds me of the habit in some countries, where washing is not much in favor, to use scent. The attorney-general is applying scent to the voters' list in this bill. He is using scent to remove the evil smell rather than deal in a legitimate way with the cleansing of the lists. Because there are so many dead men on the lists and these dead men persist in rising on election day and voting, although they always vote Conservative. I never knew a dead man vote Socialist. He wants to clean up the lists, but he does so in a way which will result in disfranchising as many live men as it will remove the dead ones."

Mr. Williams went on to pay his respects to both parties a propos of election protests and saw-offs.

Protests and Saw-Off.

John Oliver told the member for Newcastle that if he had any evidence of dead men voting or any other election irregularities it was his duty to place that in the hands of the attorney-general. As for Mr. Williams' remarks about saw-offs, never in any committee room or anywhere else had there been any sawing-off of election protests. There was a very persistent rumor that in the last provincial election in Nanaimo 250 good citizens from the slums of Seattle came over to vote for the candidate of the Socialist party. He did not think this was true, but he would have just as much ground for saying so on the floor of the House as the member for Newcastle had for what he had said.

Mr. Williams expressed the opinion that if what he had said had been true the member for Delta would have been less anxious to speak. But it was the attorney-general he wanted an answer from, and not from Mr. Oliver.

"If the attorney-general does not know more than I do about election crimes he must go about Vancouver with his two eyes shut," concluded Mr. Williams.

J. H. Hawthorne repeated the assertions of his colleague as to election protests, and asked if there was not going to be a saw-off between G. H. Barnard in Victoria and Ralph Parks in Nanaimo?

"I do not know of any in the past or any proposed in the future," replied Mr. Oliver, "and I venture to say that the non-gentleman cannot produce any reliable evidence that will show I have any knowledge of such any products as a matter of fact."

Queer Way to Show Confidence.

"If the government has such confidence in the workingmen as they pretend, why do they want to deprive half of them of the right to vote?" asked John McInnis in course of a long speech. He read numerous telegrams from labor organizations protesting against the bill.

In a second speech Parker Williams declared that the only thing that kept the government from abandoning the bill was the old Chinese sentiment that there was something disgraceful in retreating; they desired to save their face.

John Jardine opposed the bill as bound to result in the disfranchisement of many workers.

Mr. Hawthorne forecast that if the government passed this bill they would endeavor to get the minds of the people off it by "local option or some other fool subject." As he got on with his speech he warmed up and said:

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IDEA DISTURBING ONE

TO SHIPPING MAGNATE

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A. is Now Entirely

Over.

Hamburg, March 9.—Albert Ballin, director general of the Hamburg-American SS. Company, was interviewed to-day regarding the passing by the company of this year's dividend announced yesterday. He expressed the

conviction that the economic crisis in the United States with its incidental accompanying effects was entirely over.

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MAY DROP WATER
CLAUSES BILL

MANY SECTIONS YET
TO BE CONSIDERED

Commissioner of Lands Ac-
cepts Advice of Leader of
Opposition.

Legislative Press Gallery, March 8.

A quiet afternoon was spent in the legislature this afternoon, the main matter before the House being the Water Clauses Bill. Eleven sections of the bill were discussed, and all were passed. The House has got just half way through the bill, 155 sections out of 331, and of that number 67 have been held over for further consideration.

The impression is gaining ground that the bill will be dropped for the session. It is in poor shape and will need a lot of amendment before it suits either the commissioner of lands, who is in charge of it, or the leader of the opposition, who is its most watchful critic, and to whom will really be due the credit, when the bill finally passes, for whatever good points its possessors.

The attorney-general introduced a bill amending the Explosives Storage Act by declaring that the storage of any quantity of gasoline over 500 gallons constitutes the building, tank or other structure where it is kept, a powder magazine within the meaning of the act.

Another bill introduced by the attorney-general is designed to remedy an inadvertence on the part of the Armstrong Power & Light Company, Ltd., which failed to apply for a certificate approving its undertaking.

J. A. Macdonald obtained an order of the House for copies of correspondence and the documents relating to the recently constructed Rossland-Trail road.

Question Time.

Mr. Brewster asked the minister of public works the following questions:

"1. Is it the intention to change the present travelled road—the only road now open from Alberni to New Alberni, running to Waterhouse's wharf?

"2. If so, can a road of equal or less grade be obtained?

"3. If so, where?

"4. If not, will the old road be allowed to remain?"

Hon. Mr. Taylor replied that there was no information in the department on any of these points.

Mr. Oliver asked the attorney-general the following questions:

"1. Is there any hotel licensed at Kitimaat?

"2. Is there any provincial constable stationed at or near Kitimaat?

"3. Is liquor being sold at any unlicensed hotel at Kitimaat?"

Hon. Mr. Bowser replied:

"1. Yes, Kitimaat hotel.

"2. No.

"3. Not so far as the department knows."

Mr. Oliver also asked the commissioner of lands:

"1. Has the government entered into any agreement or arrangement with the Grand Trunk Pacific Townsite Co. respecting the sale of town lots at Prince Rupert?

"2. If so, what are the terms of such agreement?"

Hon. Mr. Tatlow replied:

"1. No. 2. Answered by reply to question 1."

Forthrightly Pay.

The speaker gave his decision on J. H. Hawthornthwaite's motion to recommit a bill amending the Coal Mines Regulation Act, with the object of securing the insertion of new sections dealing with fortnightly pay-days for men working underground, and making inquests compulsory in cases of mine accidents, concerning which the premier had raised the point or order that these proposed amendments were not relevant or within the scope of the bill. The test of this was whether an amendment was coherent and consistent with the scope of the bill. The Coal Mines Regulation Act was passed primarily for the protection of men working in mines, but to it had been added provisions forbidding the payment of wages in mines or taverns and as to payment by weight of coal. These were not particularly drawn for protection of men while in the mine, and he was therefore of opinion that the proposed amendment as to a fortnightly pay was within the rules and germane to the original act. The other amendment was likewise coherent, because in the original bill the matter of inquests was dealt with, the object being to find out the cause of accidents so that if any legislation would do away with the causes it might be adopted.

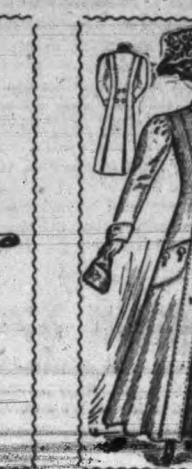
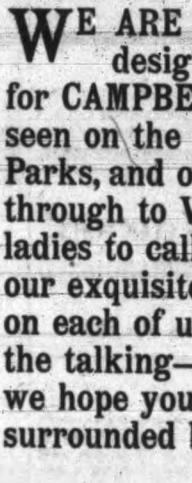
Mr. Hawthornthwaite then moved that the bill be re-committed to committee to add the pay-day section.

The premier considered that this was one of the sections which was better settled between the parties, and that it was not a sound or wise thing for the legislature, except in an extreme or urgent case, to step in between them. No one was more anxious to protect the workingmen than he was and that the workingmen appreciated this fact was plain from the fact that the great majority supported the government. The premier intimated that W. R. Ross' bill for a fortnightly pay-day in industries paying over \$60,000 a month must fail in the same way. Mr. Macdonald recalled that he had voted in favor of the second reading of bills with a similar object to this, but this amendment either did not go far enough or went too far. In other cases the proposal was that the fortnightly pay should apply to all mine-workers, but this dealt only with coal miners working underground. He could see no particular connection between underground working and more frequent pay days. In many cases it would be a hardship on the employer and not be of any service to the employee to get paid fortnightly. Mr. Macdonald said he would oppose this amendment but he would vote for Mr. Ross' bill when it came up.

The motion to recommit was lost, thirteen members voting for it—Hawthornthwaite, Williams, McInnes, Brewster, Jardine, Henderson, King, Naden, Hall, Eagleston, Jones, Yor-

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Accidents in Collieries.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite next moved his amendment making coroners' inquests compulsory.

The premier declared that an inquest was being held in every case in which it was desirable. The coroners investigated every case and where the facts were such as not to warrant the expense of an inquest none was held.

John Jardine supported the amendment as a necessity.

Parker Williams pointed out that there were many ugly stories and rumors afloat in accident cases where no inquest was held, so that the holding of an inquest was a very desirable thing in every case. In the recent case of a young man who fell 600 feet down a mine shaft at Nanaimo there was no inquest, although surely the question should have been settled as to whether he was responsible himself or whether anyone else was to blame.

Mr. Macdonald considered the amendment along the right lines. The law gave relatives a right of action where there had been negligence on the part of the employer, but if they were not convenient and no inquest was held their chance of taking action was probably lost. Coroners, while doing their duty faithfully, were not legal men, and were not in a position to decide from the information they acquired whether there had been criminal negligence or not. The province could very well afford to bear the expense of an inquest in every case.

The amendment was lost by a vote of 15 to 24, those voting for it being Hawthornthwaite, Williams, McInnes, Macdonald, Oliver, Henderson, Munro, Jardine, Brewster, King, Naden, Hall, Eagleston, Jones and Yorston.

The bill was read a third time and the same stage was given to the bill amending the Municipal Clauses Act and confirming the new official map of Alberni.

Clearing Wild Lands.

Parker Williams proposed an amendment to the Bush Fire Act to the effect that any farmer or settler, satisfying the government's agent that his clearing operations will be facilitated by adjoining owners of wild lands clearing a satisfactory fire-guard around such lands, may obtain an order requiring this to be done; and that in case of refusal to comply within a reasonable time the government's agent should cause such guard to be made and assess the cost against the lands.

The commissioners of lands said there was merit in this proposal, which he would have brought before the forestry commission when it met, but as to the amendment he held it was out of order, in proposing an expenditure of public money.

The Speaker upheld this point of order and when Mr. Williams appealed against the ruling the House upheld the Speaker.

The bill was given its final reading.

Follows Macdonald's Advice.

The commissioners of lands brought in an amendment to the Timber Manufacture Act along the lines suggested by the leader of the opposition the other evening, as to the export of piles, telegraph and telephone poles, ties, crib work and similar timber hewn by hand,

giving power to the lieutenant-governor-in-council to exempt these from the operation of the law.

Mr. Macdonald said he had an amendment on the notice paper and the bill was allowed to stand over.

Water Clauses Bill.

The Water Clauses Bill was taken up at section 145, dealing with the powers of municipalities as power companies. Whenever a municipality passes a by-law for the operation of waterworks, electric light or gas works, street railways, ferries or tramways, it may take out a license for water rights, and then has all the rights, powers and privileges of a power company and be subject to all the obligations of such a company.

On taking up part eleven, dealing with clearing streams for driving logs, one of the powers of the commissioner of lands is to require the provisional licensee to furnish security for compensation for loss or damage.

Stuart Henderson did not see any reason for this section. If a land surveyor carried out the work, he pointed out, he should be responsible for any damage done. He moved that the word "shall" be struck out and replaced by "may, as the commissioner of lands may see fit."

This was voted down.

On the next section, which empowers a licensee, his engineer, surveyors and servants to enter upon all lands along a stream proposed to be improved, Mr. Henderson objected to the use of the word "engineer" as loose and indefinite. He moved to strike it out, but the House allowed it to stay. Hon. Mr. Fulton taking the view that it meant an engineer or other competent person, although in the interpretation clause it is stated that "engineer" as used in the act "shall" mean any engineer employed by any company in connection with the local or construction of works under this act."

A few sections later came one permitting the lieutenant-governor-in-council to appoint an engineer to examine the works, when Mr. Henderson asked what engineer was supposed to mean here.

Hon. Mr. Fulton proposed to add the words "or other competent person," to the section.

Mr. Macdonald said this would not help matters any. The interpretation of engineer was given in the act and to give the lieutenant-governor-in-council permission to appoint an engineer could only be interpreted as "an engineer in the employ of the company."

"It must mean some other engineer," said Mr. McPhillips.

"It means what it says," returned Mr. Henderson, "and 'engineer' means just what the interpretation clause says it means."

Mr. Henderson moved that the section be amended by making it read "engineer not theretofore connected with the work."

This was lost and Mr. Fulton withdrew his amendment, the section being altered on the attorney-general's motion by striking out "engineer" and replacing it by "competent person."

Mr. Oliver suggested that when plans of the works were forwarded to the

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DEFENDING THE FRANCHISE.

Attorney-General Bowser, after the manner of his learned brother the Premier of Manitoba, purposes assuming power to manipulate the provincial voters' lists in the interests of his party. If ever there was a case of justifiable obstruction, the opposition in the British Columbia legislature is justified in using every weapon at its command to defeat such an outrageous measure. We are told upon good Conservative authority that the province of Manitoba is in revolt against Robbinism as a consequence of revelations following the Dominion general election. Bowserism in British Columbia will soon be at a discount also. The Attorney-General is detested by the more independent members of his own party already—and feared by the residue.

THE WATER SITUATION.

There is an economic doctrine of universal acceptance in these advanced days that when the interests of private concerns or private persons rise in conflict against the material well-being of the community at large the interests of the public must prevail. Under their charters railways are empowered to take possession of the property of individuals, reimbursing the persons dispossessed up to the actual value of their property, either by mutual agreement or in accordance with the estimate of disinterested arbitrators, authorities or courts. The principle behind all such proceedings is that the interests of the community are paramount.

In view of the general acceptance of this doctrine, we confess we are at a loss to understand why there should be any hesitation upon the part of the Legislature of British Columbia to place the city of Victoria in her relations with the Esquimalt Water Works Company in a position it would have no hesitation whatever in placing a railway company in its relations with private individuals. As a matter of fact, the government, which controls the legislature, ought to have no difficulty whatever in making up its mind to do justly by Victoria, as by granting that which is asked by the representatives of the city it would merely be confirming rights conveyed in 1873 and twice legislatively affirmed since that time. The Esquimalt Water Works Company entered upon its holdings expressly upon the condition that whatever title it had acquired should be subject to the prior title of the municipality. Under the circumstances what reasonable objection can there possibly be to the city taking possession of the property of the company upon condition that all the improvements made shall be paid for in accordance with

the decision of an ordinary arbitration court? We cannot understand why the government, in control of the legislature, and therefore responsible for its acts, should have the slightest hesitation about performing so plain a duty.

The Premier is the representative of Victoria, notwithstanding the excuses of his organ in this city that in a "larger sense" (whatever that may mean) he is really the representative of all the province. Should the legislature fail to act in accordance with the dictates of common sense and justice, we should not like to be in his position when the time comes for him to justify himself in the eyes of his constituents. The idea that any proposition the city has made savours of confiscation is nothing but the veriest claptrap. Whatever form the method of placing Victoria in possession of her rights may take, no one need be under the slightest apprehension that the shareholders will not get all they are entitled to, "brimful and running over."

It may be asked—indeed the Times has repeatedly been asked—why the city is so anxious to take possession of the Goldstream system when at possibly less cost a larger supply of water can be procured from Sooke Lake. The question is easily answered. Under its charter the Esquimalt Water Works Company has been endowed with the privilege of supplying what may ultimately become the most important and populous section of the city with water. It is absolutely necessary that the title to furnish such a service shall be extinguished. It is necessary alike in the interests of the people of Victoria West and all the Esquimalt peninsula. This necessity will yearly become more imperative.

The government of the city would be remiss in its duty if it did not insist upon our rights in view of pending developments across the arm; the government of the province will shoulder a great responsibility should it continue, at the dictation of interested parties, to raise obstacles against a fair settlement of the water problem in the interests of all the people in the districts round about.

There are Tory governments in other provinces of the Dominion, but in not one of these provinces could such a situation have arisen as we in Victoria have had to contend with for many years.

DOES IT MEAN A REVOLUTION?

Rev. Mr. Jackson, of Toronto, not only rejects the orthodox conception of the world having been actually created in six solar days; he questions the Biblical idea of the deluge and of the reputed age of Methuselah as "neither science nor history." The book of Genesis he holds to be rich in revealed truth for all persons who study it in a properly receptive spirit, but holds its hitherto accepted facts are merely myth, tradition or allegory. Mr. Jackson sustains his position by an appeal to records which have been unearthed by modern scientific investigators, all of which, he contends, go to prove that if the church purpuses retaining its hold upon an intelligent people who will be satisfied with nothing but revealed truth, her teachers and preachers must revise their theological standards and substitute rational belief for unchangeable dogma.

We observe that the secular press, a wise institution in its generation, has evidently decided to take no active part in this epoch-making controversy. It merely prints the statements of the various parties in a conflict which promises to become historical, with a far-seeing eye to the value of the matter as news. We can imagine with what fervor the Globe would have espoused the position of one party or the other had Hon. George Brown been at the helm of that great tribune of popular opinion. It is worthy of note, however, that the radicals are waxing bold now that an opening has been given them of expressing in a public way their real opinions. One champion of Mr. Jackson asks why it is, if the church stands where she did, that no one ever hears the doctrine of a material hell and eternal physical torment expounded from the pulpit. It is true, as the writer insinuates, that the followers of Arminius and of Cal-

vin have been subjectively revising their creed in anticipation of the appearance of the leader who has at last made his bow in the person of Rev. George Jackson?

The Colonist admits that the people of British Columbia pay too much for the coal they consume; but it fears that if the government of the province were to undertake any measure of relief Ottawa might interfere and block its proceedings. A most reasonable excuse to place before an intelligent reader, assuredly. The coal, be it understood, is the property of the people. The government is trustee for the people. The companies obtain the right to mine coal from the government. In the exercise of this right the companies charge the public seven dollars and a half a ton for every ton of coal handled; except in the case of large consumers. But the government as trustee of the people's property cannot interfere. Suppose the government were barred absolutely by fear of what Ottawa might do from attempting to regulate the prices of the coal which is admitted to be the property of the people, is there any insuperable obstacle to the government, if it has not given all the coal-lands away, opening up some of the measures still the property of the people and selling the coal at the actual cost of its production plus the royalties now paid into the provincial treasury? Some day we shall have a government doing this very thing, if necessary, in the interests of the people.

London Free Press: Rev. George Jackson has possibly been led to doubt the story of the deluge by having seen it rain for forty days and forty nights at Vancouver, B. C., without serious results.

THOUSANDS OF ELECTORS
MAY BE DISFRANCHISED

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"I would not like to be the attorney-general if he deprived me of my vote. Having exhausted all legal methods to save my vote I would not hesitate to take the law into my own hands, and I do not hesitate to give the same advice to the workers from the floor of this House. I will exhaust every legal and constitutional means in the House to defeat this bill. If I do not succeed I will use every weapon outside this House, regardless of any consequences to myself, to fight against the attempt to deprive the workers of this province of their votes, which result the attorney-general knows, despite his laughter and sneers, will be the case if the bill passes."

Tar and Feathers.

Mr. McInnes took the same line, declaring that the workers were prepared to obey the law, but had a right to be a law to themselves "and if we do God help some of these people." The member for Grand Forks thought it would be useful to take some Conservative members down to the bay and give them a good dose of tar and feathers.

At half-past eleven A. E. McPhillips raised the point of order that it was not allowable to discuss a motion for the committee to rise, to the astonishment of members. The laugh was on Mr. McPhillips when he was told that the motion had been disposed of half-an-hour before.

G. R. Naden, who represents the mining constituency of Greenwood, pointed out the hardship it would work on men in any mining district, where they frequently moved from place to place. If a year's absence was not allowed, as the amendment proposed, these men would lose their vote. Mr. Naden concluded by moving that the committee rise and report progress.

Mr. McPhillips took the point of order that as there had been no intervening business transacted this motion was out of order.

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—THE LAW SOCIETY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA HELD ITS ANNUAL MEETING YESTERDAY, PRESIDED OVER BY C. E. POOLEY, K. C. THE REGULAR REPORTS WERE ADOPTED. THE VICTORIA BAR ASSOCIATION MET AT THE CLOSE OF THE MEETING AND TRANSACTED NECESSARY BUSINESS.

—A LECTURE ON CANTERBURY, A CITY REplete WITH HISTORIC MEMORIES, WILL BE GIVEN IN THE SCHOOL OF THE CHURCH OF OUR LORD AT 8 O'CLOCK THIS EVENING, BY R. S. DAY. THE LECTURE WILL BE ILLUSTRATED BY A NUMBER OF BEAUTIFUL VIEWS, WHICH WILL BE DRAWN ON A POWERFUL ARC LANTERN.

—THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY WAS HELD IN THE ST. WILLIAM WALLACE HALL LAST NIGHT. IT WAS ARRANGED THAT CONCERT WOULD BE HELD ON THE 16TH INST. (TUESDAY). ON WEDNESDAY THE 31ST INST A BENEFIT CONCERT FOR THE WIDOW OF THE LATE J. G. THOMPSON WILL TAKE PLACE. THE AUXILIARY REPORT WAS ADDED AT LAST NIGHT'S MEETING, AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SOCIETY AN AUXILIARY BRANCH, COMPRISING OF LADIES OF SCOTTISH BIRTH, SHOULD BE FORMED.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTHWEST LAND REGULATIONS.

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section (640 acres, more or less) of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the office of the Agent or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of the intending homesteader.

DUTIES—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within 10 miles of his claim, but must own a farm of at least 30 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of the intending homesteader.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead and still obtains a further exemption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Purchased homesteads may be acquired on an acre or half acre basis, or on numbered Sections south of Township 45, east of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway and the west line of Range 20, and west of the third Meridian and the Peace River. Duties—Duties—Duties—six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$300.

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terday and was instantly killed.

New York, March 9.—Arrived,
steamers *La Gascogne* from Havre,
and *United States* from Co-
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MAKURA ARRIVES

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Going South.

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\$2,200 Allowed for Salvaging
Steamer *Otter* From
Danger Reef.

CANNERY SHIPMENTS

TO PUGET SOUND

Reduction in This Year's Pack
Owing to Surplus on
Hand.

(Special to the Times.)

In the Admiralty court this morning Mr. Justice Martin gave judgment for \$2,200 for the plaintiff in *Dunsmuir vs. Otter*. This was a case for salvage in which the tug Pilot, the property of R. Dunsmuir & Sons, pulled the C. P. R. steamer *Otter* from Danger Reef, on *Thetis Island*, about 73 miles from Ladysmith. The C. P. R. offered to settle for \$1,500, but Mr. Justice Martin did not think this enough, and added \$700 to that amount. The matter was dealt with by the judge on the assumption that the *Otter* would have sunk had the Pilot not come to her rescue.

FAST TRIP BY BARQUE

French Vessel Made Voyage From
Columbia River to Europe in
Ninety-one Days.

Coming within three days of breaking the world's record for the passage of a sailing vessel between Columbia River and a European port, and making a showing for quick voyages that has not been equalled in the past eighteen years, the French barque *Gael*, Captain Savary, passed Dungeness after having been out but 91 days, according to a message which has been received by the Merchants' Exchange.

There is but one quicker sailing passage on record, and that was made by the British barque *Mackrillian* completed the same voyage in 91 days, twenty-five years ago. Some years later the British barque *Mackrillian* completed the same voyage in 91 days, which has stood undisputed as the second best until now, when the *Gael* has succeeded in equaling it.

SOO'S \$500,000 DRY DOCK.

Scoti. Sta. Maria, Ont., March 9. The dry dock by-law carried yesterday, only 17 voting against it. By this the town gives a bonus to the company which agrees to build a \$500,000 dry dock which will employ from 500 to 2,000 men.

The run of red salmon in Alaska

usually begins about June 10th. The task of sending men and supplies to the North will, however, begin long before that date.

The run of salmon in Puget Sound waters, which is expected to be one of the largest in years, will, it is thought, start about July 10th, and extensive preparations are to be made by the local plants and canneries to handle the bumper pack.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

The chimney on which the red light at Laura Point has been exhibited will be taken down within a few days. For this reason the red light will be exhibited from the pole near where the chimney stood.

SHIPPING REPORT

Tatooch. March 9, 8 a. m.—Part cloudy; wind northeast 11 miles; bar. 30.39; temp. 41; passed in, steamer Watson at 5 a. m.; passed out, steam schooner *Beetle* at 6:55 a. m.

Estevan. March 9, 8 a. m.—Part cloudy; calm; bar. 30.41; temp. 35; sea moderate.

Pachena. March 9, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; calm; bar. 30.25; temp. 34; light southwest breeze.

Cape Lazo. March 9, 8 a. m.—Part cloudy; calm; bar. 30.24; temp. 36; sea smooth.

Point Grey. March 9, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; calm; bar. 30.28; temp. 40.

Cape Lazo. March 9, noon.—Part cloudy; calm; bar. 30.35; temp. 44; sea smooth; at 11:30 passed south, steamer.

Point Grey. March 9, noon.—Cloudy; northerly breeze; bar. 30.37; temp. 47.

Tatooch. March 9, noon.—Cloudy; wind east 15 miles; bar. 30.44; temp. 46; passed out, schooner *Snow* and *Burgess* towing at 8:55; inside, bound out, schooner *Fred E. Sanders*.

Estevan. March 9, noon.—Cloudy; light southeast breeze; bar. 30.42; temp. 47; moderate swell; D. G. S. *Quadrus* anchored discharging.

Point Grey. March 9, noon.—Part cloudy; southeast breeze; bar. 30.31; temp. 50; sea smooth; revenue cutter *Manning* passed out at 11.

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**HALF SURRENDER IN
INTEREST OF LOGGERS**

Government Partially Adopts J. A. Macdonald's Suggestions.

When the House met at 8:30 last night the commissioner of lands moved his amendment that the Lieutenant-governor-in-council should have power to authorize the exporting of piles, telegraph and telephone poles, ties and crib timber, although not manufactured in the province.

Another amendment stood on the order paper in the name of the leader of the opposition, to the following effect: "Nothing in this act contained shall be construed to prevent the export of pile and crib timber, railway ties, mining props, telegraph or telephone poles, fence posts or fire wood."

Hon. Mr. Fulton went as far as admitting that both he and Mr. Macdonald wanted to attain the same end, but he considered that his own amendment was the better. Under that of the leader of the opposition sawlogs might be exported, but under his the inspectors would be able to examine all poles, etc., which anyone applied for permission to export.

"This is just another instance of the taking of unlimited power into the hands of the Lieutenant-governor-in-council," said Mr. Macdonald. "I see no reason why this legislature should not decide what should go out of the province."

His proposal, he said, would not allow any unmanufactured timber out. All the items mentioned in his amendment were manufactured as far as they ever would be. It would not be possible to take sawlogs out under the guise of any of these things. Surely the inspectors would keep lumber men right. Even under the proposal of the commissioner of lands they would have to keep a watch. A large number of contracts had been made, and hundreds or thousands of poles and other hewn timber which had been cut and manufactured complete had been sold under these contracts and were standing on sidings ready to be loaded out. If the commissioner's amendment was carried all dealers would have to apply to the governor-in-council for a license and submit to considerable delay.

Inspectors Keep Watch.

The premier considered that in substance both amendments were the same but he thought that of his colleague the more feasible. There would be no red tape and no inconvenience to anyone. The bill would not come into force until July next.

"How do you prevent breaches of the law now?" asked Mr. Macdonald. "Is it not by your officers?"

"Quite so," replied the premier. "I am informed that our officials keep a close watch on the different logging camps, and so far have very successfully prohibited any invasion of the present legislation."

J. H. Haythornthwaite thought the amendment of the leader of the opposition put the case more plainly and strongly.

The commissioner's amendment was put and, as the Speaker gave it as his opinion, in reply to questions from Mr. Haythornthwaite and Mr. Macdonald, that the latter's amendment would be out of court in case of its passage, the Liberals allowed it to pass, on the principle that half a loaf would be better than no bread to the loggers. They still held to the view, however, that Mr. Macdonald's amendment should have been adopted and that nothing

short of it would be doing justice to an important industry in the province, one which Mr. Oliver pointed out was worth many hundreds of thousands of dollars.

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Social and Personal

C. C. Irving left yesterday en route for Europe.

Mrs. Lossee, of Saanich, arrived in town yesterday.

R. W. Haggan, of Kamloops, is a visitor in town.

Mrs. Nen, of Tod Inlet, is spending a few days here.

Mrs. J. M. Campbell leaves to-day on a visit to Portland.

Mrs. T. J. Potter has gone on a visit to friends in St. Paul, Minn.

Arthur McPherson, of Glasgow, lately of Vancouver, is a visitor here.

Miss Helen Wrottey, of Regina, is making an extended visit with friends here.

Mrs. Richard Elliot, Cook street, has issued invitations for an "at home" on Friday.

Louis James Bray and Bernard W. Atchison, of Alexander, Man., are among our public visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hill and Miss Hill, of Vancouver, visited the parliament buildings and museum yesterday.

S. H. Graves, the managing director of the White Pass and Yukon railway, is a guest at the Empress. Mr. Graves has just arrived from England.

Mrs. Innes Hopkins will be "at home," "Beckhill," Esquimalt Road, Tuesday, March 16th, from 2 to 4, and afterwards on the third Wednesday of the month.

The following were among those who called at the provincial museum to-day: Larin Hall, Minersville, Utah; John Dougan, Hamilton, Scotland; J. T. Wilby, Beaconsfield, Tasmania; R. Texas, Sydney, N. S. W.; W. Grieves, Durham Co., England; W. B. Downing, Milestone, Sask.; Ed. Young, Spokane, Wash.; J. A. Whitehead, Sydney N. S. W., and J. D. Dalby, Melbourne.

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Enjoyable Musical Comedy Presented This Week by Leno's Youngsters.

Don Leno's Youngsters present a regular musical comedy lasting twenty-five minutes as the feature act of a fine programme at the New Grand this week. There are ten in the company, five girls and five boys, and the piece which is called "Examination Day in a Township High School," serves as the vehicle for good singing, lively dancing and good comedy which runs all through the act. It is the brightest and liveliest act that has been seen here in a long time, and the reception it received at the hands of the crowded houses last night augers well for a record week's business. Another big feature act is that of the Atlantic City Four, a male quartette of singers and instrumentalists. All possess splendid voices, their selections are good and the instrumental work is a feature of the turn, which is one of the best of the kind that has been here. Joseph K. Watson, Hebrew comedian, seems to have no difficulty at all with a Victoria audience, which is reputed among comedians to be hard to make up. He keeps the audience in a roar every minute he is on the stage. Alice Davenport & Co. present a cleverly acted sketch entitled "Now." Thos. J. Price is singing a beautiful classical selection, "The Holy Light." An illustrated song, the accompaniment being played on an organ by Prof. Nagel, assisted by violin, cornet and drums, and new moving pictures are entitled "A Persistent Suitor."

Forty copies of Mrs. O. C. Edwards' booklet on laws concerning women and children were ordered purchased and it is hoped that all affiliated societies and individual members of the council will secure a copy.

The standing committees for the international are as follows: Mrs. Jenkins, education; Mrs. Day, social reform; Miss Spofford, industrial; Mrs. W. Grant, philanthropy; Mrs. Hassell, literature; Miss Crease, art.

Mrs. Jenkins spoke appreciatively of the recent address given by Mr. Kelso in the interests of the children's juvenile court. A resolution was ordered to be sent to Mrs. Mortimer in acknowledgement of her recent heroism in saving a boy from drowning.

Mrs. Dunsmuir's message to the effect that she hoped to be able to give a reception in honor of Her Grace the Countess of Aberdeen and the delegates from the quinquennial during their visit to the coast, was received with much pleasure.

A public meeting will be held on that occasion which will be addressed by the distinguished visitors.

Mrs. Townsend came to the meeting yesterday and at its close spoke with much feeling upon the special work of women in connection with the national union of women workers in England, and presented to the women of Victoria a greeting from them.

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"FAIRMONT HOTEL SAN FRANCISCO"

Lawton, Okla., March 8.—At an informal meeting of more than half of the Apache prisoners of war at Fort Sill eligible to vote for a chief to succeed the late Geronimo, Asa Deklugie, son of Whoa, of the Nedni branch of the tribe, was chosen chief yesterday. A formal election will be held soon, but yesterday foreshadowed the tribe's action.

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15 ACRES—Bonne road, 4 cultivated, cottages, 2 houses, house, buggy shed, good well, \$1,000.

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GARIBOLDI ROAD—Near Gorge road, 6 rooms, cement foundation, electric light, lot 60x120, \$2,500.

DUNPLIN STREET—5 rooms, electric light, lot 60x120, price reduced from \$2,000, terms cash, \$1,000.

THIRD STREET—6 rooms and basement, all conveniences, just completed, \$1,500.

FRANCIS AVENUE—8 rooms, with 2 lots, each 60x120, near Douglas street tram, \$2,500.

WASHINGTON AVENUE—6 rooms, concrete foundation, electric light, 1/2 acre of land, house will be completed in a few days, \$2,500.

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PERSONAL.

G. A. MacNicholl, purchasing agent of the G. T. P. on the Coast, is in the city. He is here in connection with the work of constructing the two new river steamers for the company. * * * E. J. Sibbald, representing the Portland rose fair, which is to be held in that city from June 5th to 12th, was here yesterday. The preparations for the event are on a large scale. * * * Mrs. J. York, 211 Quebec street, will not receive on Wednesday, 12th inst.

JUST RECEIVED—A COMPLETE STOCK
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Seed Drills, Single and Double Wheel Hoes, Cultivators, Horse Hoes, etc. Bucher & Gibbs Farm Implements, Spike Tooth, Spring Tooth, Disc and Spading Harrows, Land Rollers, Cultivators and Plows.

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What Other People Think

MR. BARNARD'S POSITION.

To the Editor:—I have waited patiently for Mr. Barnard to tender his resignation as member for Victoria, in the Dominion House, and thus purify our city, if possible, of the star that is hanging over it. Now, sir, Mr. Barnard told his audience, myself included, at all his meetings that he was an honorable man, and, if elected to represent Victoria, he would go to Ottawa and investigate the corruption that existed there. In fact, I understood that the Liberal government was capable of anything but forging telegrams; but what do we find? This base and unprincipled member occupying a seat in the House, acknowledged by both political parties to have been stolen. British law is, if there were no aiders and abettors and no receivers of stolen goods, there would be no thieves. Now, can this honorable gentleman reconcile himself to these facts? The Colonist and Mr. Barnard have laid a dangerous precedent. The members of the elected citizens of both political parties should call a meeting and discuss this outrage that has been perpetrated on us and call on Mr. Barnard to resign.

AN OBSERVER.

THAT FORGED TELEGRAM.

To the Editor:—In the Montreal Star, dated March 8th, there appears a statement signed by the Anglican Bishop of British Columbia, who is a report of a confession of the man, who forged the now notorious telegram, which has caused such a stir throughout the Dominion.

In this confession the man states: "That he received the telegram from the telegraph editor of the Colonist to deliver at a certain meeting; that, instead of doing so, he called up an office and copied out the telegram as altered and forged by him, and destroyed the original, and then the altered telegram sent to the meeting."

You will observe that the man does not say "when" nor "where" he made the alteration, which he refers to.

Now, the object of this alleged confession has avowedly been made with the object of relieving the Colonist of the odious justly cast upon it by a disguised party.

Has the object of this confession been attained? I maintain that it has not; on the contrary, it has made the situation much worse, for the Colonist appeared to suffer intense torture because it was at a loss to discover the man who did the trick. Now, however, that such discovery is partially in evidence, and has been for some time, what has it done to clear its reputation?

It is now regarded by the public as compounding the forgery, for it still has in its employ the same telegraph editor, who could disclose the name and identity of the man to whom he entrusted the telegram for delivery, or, if such disclosure has already been made, it has up to the present time taken no action to bring the alleged culprit before the court of justice.

The Telegraph Company is responsible for its inanity in connection with this matter. It is the duty of this company to prosecute any person who uses its telegraph forms for the purpose of committing a forgery. Should they neglect to take action in such cases the public can place but little confidence in messages appearing on such forms.

It is the duty of all reputable journals to call for an investigation of this matter.

VERITAS.

THE C. P. R. AND E. & N. RAIL-
WAY BELT.

To the Editor: In examining the regulations dealing with the sale of land in the E. & N. railway belt, it seems difficult to discern much inducement for a prospector to minerals in that territory, and it stands as a huge barrier between the prospector and the balance of the Island. Mr. Marpole read us a paper at the gathering of the Empress a short time ago, but he was very careful not to commit himself to any expression of any encouragement in dealing with the railway belt. Sir Thomas Shaughnessy is reported to have said: "The C. P. R. were not a benevolent institution." From examining their regulations we become well aware of the fact.

1st. I find that for agricultural land the price is \$5 per acre and \$1 per thou-
sand board measure for all timber over5,000 feet per acre up to 10,000 feet, and timber over that amount is called tim-
ber land, and is \$3 per acre.

2nd. Mineral land, instead of being sold, is leased at an annual rental and the following royalties reserved on the

ores mined: On the property, 50 cents per ton on iron, one-tenth of a cent per pound on lead, three-tenths of a cent per pound on copper. Nothing is said about other minerals or metal they propose to deal with the land where gold and silver might be discovered.

Clause 5 of the regulations reads that mineral lands will be sold in blocks not exceeding 100 acres in area,

but does not say if in less or say 1,500 feet square, the usual size of mineral claims. Clause 19 reads that the sur-
face rights for mineral shall be \$5 per acre, but does notstate but what it might be more. But the attraction in the regulations is that all mineral lands will only be leased at the above royalties as stated. Of course coal, coal oil and fireclay are reserved. There is no prospector that will care to prospect on the railway belt under such regulations. In prospecting the blanks are many and the pros-
pects are very few, and when a pros-
pector discovers any mine or prospect of a mine he wants to be sure he can

call attention to an obstruction on Dundas street, and of the dumping of mud on his property on said street.

Recommended that the writer be in-
formed that the obstruction left onDundas street by the telephone com-
pany has been removed, and that the mud complained of will be removed by the city.5. Elsworth, secretary of the Pro-
vincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, com-
plaining of the flooding of the hos-
pital grounds by surface water fromRichmond road, also to the unsatisfac-
tory condition of said road in front of

the hospital. Recommended that the writer be informed that the surface

drain now being constructed in the

locality of the hospital will remedy the

matters complained of when completed.

6. Communication of C. P. R. re-
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receive on Wednesday, 12th inst.

Local Improvements.

The city assessor's report contained

but one objection to the proposed local

improvements. The one objection was

for Pine street, but was counteracted

by another petition from a large num-
ber of owners asking that the work be

done in the street.

The various works will be car-
ried out in the usual course.

The building inspector and fire

wardens wrote advising the council to

order the removal of the frame build-
ing at the rear of the Balmoral hotel,

on View street, known as No. 397, in

which a fire occurred two weeks ago.

It had been found stockaded with paint

and oil, and was a menace to sur-
rounding property. The assessed owner

is Mrs. Annie Brown. An inquiry will be made.

The city solicitor was instructed to

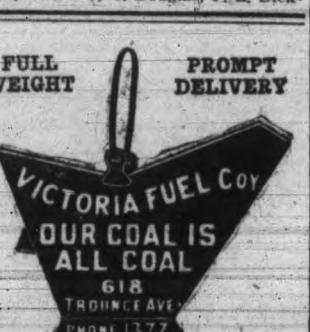
take up other matters requiring atten-
tion on the report of the sanitary in-
spector. They are concerned with prop-
erty owned by J. Douglas, P. L. Dick-

GET YOUR NAME ON

THE VOTERS' LIST

As the time for the registration of voters expires on the last Monday of the present month, all those who are not already on the list should see to it that their name is put on as early as possible. The qualifications necessary are: Six months' residence in the province, including one month in the city, and being a British subject, 18 years of age.

Any one calling at the Liberal rooms, 1230 Government street, can have this matter attended to, or by applying to the registrar at the court house, or to any notary public, or commissioner appointed for this purpose.



New Parlor Suite

HERE is a splendid new arrival in Parlor Furniture—a nobby three-piece suite, in mahogany. Suite consists of 3 pieces—arm chair, arm rocker and settee. Frames are of mahogany and of very fine design—a radical departure from the usual parlor furniture style, but one you'll like. Instead of being upholstered in the usual way, these pieces have fine loose cushions upholstered in pretty green silk velour.

A very fine suite and splendid value at

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Bring your decorative problems to us and let our staff of decorators assist you.

We shall esteem it a privilege to discuss the matter with you, and any assistance our staff may give you shall be cheerfully and gladly given. There won't be the slightest obligation to purchase.

We have a wonderfully complete and comprehensive showing of durable decorative materials, and a look through these may mean an idea or two worth while. Welcome.

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Curtain Stretchers

We are showing a new line of Mission designed Rockers. These are of very attractive design and are finished in the popular Early English. Cushions on back and seat of fine leather. Superior chair styles. Priced at—
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